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Amendments to the Abstract:

Please replace the previous Abstract with the following redlined Abstract:

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method for use in encoding ~~video~~video data, including generating metric values for the video data based on a metric function and respective encoding parameters. At least one of the encoding parameters is selected on the basis of a desired quantity of encoded video data and a predetermined relationship between metric values and respective quantities of encoded video data.